

AL-VI-B-034

ALLEN HOUSE

South of Klondike Road, Klondike, Md.  
ca. 1780

The Allen House is a two story, two bay wide, stone building. Stone buildings are not plentiful in Allegany County; however, the Allen house is one of a group of several early stone houses located along the Old Legislative Road in the George's Creek area. With its thick stone walls (approximately 22 inches deep), its steep gabled roof and six over six lights, the house stands in sharp contrast to the 19th century frame structures erected by the mining companies. In all probability, the Allen house was constructed in the late 18th century.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Allen Stone House

and/or common

### 2. Location

street & number \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication \_\_\_\_\_

city, town Klondike ~~X~~ vicinity of congressional district Sixth

state Maryland county Allegany

### 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
___ site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	___ yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	___ not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	___ military	___ other:

### 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Thomas Allen & Emily Allen

street & number Klondike Rd. Rt. 1 Frostburg telephone no.:

city, town Klondike Maryland state and zip code 21532

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Allegany County Courthouse liber#: 373

street & number 30 Washington Street folio#: 355

city, town Cumberland state Maryland

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

\*title

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_ state \_\_\_ county \_\_\_ local

depository for survey records

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state

## 7. Description

Survey No. AL-VI-B-034

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This small stone house stands on a knoll overlooking the derelict mining town of Klondike to the north.

This true 1½-story house measures two bays wide. The gable-roofed building faces south. A true-1½-story, two-bay frame addition extends from the east gable end. A one-story shed-roofed porch covers the facade of both sections.

On the original stone section's facade, the entrance occupies the eastern bay. A 6/6 sash window appears in the western bay. Two 2/2 sash windows lighting the first floor on the rear have been recently replaced by 1/1 windows. Two 6/3 sash windows light either side of the half-story. Ovolo moldings trim the exterior architraves. Flat stone arches top the first story openings. The house is constructed of random rubble stone masonry. An interior stone chimney rising in the west end accommodates a fireplace on either floor level. As the land slopes downhill to the east, a cellar entrance appears at the east end.

The gabled frame addition measures two bays square. The entrance appears in the western bay on the facade. A 2/2 sash window lights the rear, and a 6/6 sash window lights the facade. Two 1/1 sash windows light either floor level on the east gable end.

Lapped weatherboards cover the addition. This section stands on a random rubble stone foundation. A brick stove-flue chimney rises from the center of the structure. Both sections of the house are roofed with corrugated metal.

The floor plan of the original section consists of one room on each floor. The second floor was partitioned into two rooms in the mid 19th century. The boxed stair turns in the northeast corner. On either floor the fireplace is accompanied by a built-in cupboard in the northeast corner.

Beaded boards cover the second floor ceiling. The original mantel in the main, or northern, second floor room includes a mantel shelf featuring a row of cut-out diamond-shaped blocks, a cove molding, and fireplace opening framed in ovolo trim.

The majority of the interior trim is ovolo. Chair railing survives on the second floor. An original batten door leads from the second floor main room into the addition. It is hung on strap hinges. The battens are beaded and beveled.

The addition is divided axially into two rooms on either floor. No original finishes survive. This section appears to be constructed of stud framing.

## 8. Significance

Survey No. AL-VI-B-034

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Although the Allen Stone House has all the earmarks of an 18th century building, it is almost impossible to trace its history. The property was owned for a number of years by the Consolidation Coal Company and deeds made prior to the company's ownership are no longer in existence. Records belonging to the Maryland Coal and Realty Company trace the property back to approximately 1820. However, in all probability, the building was constructed at an earlier date.

Stone buildings are not plentiful in Allegany County; however, the Allen house is one of a group of several early stone houses located along the Old Legislative Road in the George's Creek area. With its thick stone walls (approximately 22 inches), its steep gabled roof and six-over-six lights, the building stands in sharp contrast to the 19th century frame buildings of Klondike, home of Consolidation Coal Company mine number seventeen.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. AL-VI-B-034

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 2. acres

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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B 

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Zone Easting Northing

C 

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

Architectural Description: Merry Stinson, 1982

name/title Historical Research: John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale (1976)

organization Maryland Historical Trust date \_\_\_\_\_

street & number 21 State Circle telephone \_\_\_\_\_

city or town Annapolis state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust  
Shaw House  
21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 269-2438

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Allen Stone House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Klondike

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Thomas Allen &amp; Emily Allen

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Klondike Rd. Rt. 1

Frostburg

CITY, TOWN

Klondike

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

21532

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

STREET &amp; NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# **7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Allen Stone House is located just south of Klondike Road in the town of Klondike, Allegany County.

The Allen house is a two story, two bay wide, stone building with random ashlar construction. A rectangular frame addition, constructed of weatherboard, abuts the main block on the eastern side. Both the main block and the addition rest on a low stone foundation. The roof is gabled and covered with tin with visable rafter ends. Windows in the house are double hung, pegged, wooden sash frames with a combination of six over six, six over three and two over two lights. Those on the first floor of the main block are topped by flat structural arches. The main entrance is located on the south side and features a verticle paneled door with original hardware. It is covered by a dilapidated shed-roofed porch. The frame addition has a single corbeled brick chimney while the main block is dominated by a single, corbeled, stone, flush/end chimney.

The interior of the main block has been altered slightly. It consists of one room on each floor. Walls in the building are approximately 22 inches thick and a new floor has been laid in the main room. In addition, the fireplace in the main room has been covered over. An original built-in cupboard is located to the left of the fireplace.

The Allen house is in fair condition and is in near original appearance and condition.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# **8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES      ca. 1780

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2. acres**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

12/3/76

STREET &amp; NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. AL-VI-B-034

373/355

DATE: 11/19

2.00 Acres

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Allen Stone House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: ~~Wetland Rd~~ Klondike Rd.

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF OWNER: Thomas Allen & Emily Allen

ADDRESS: Klondike Rd Rt 1

Frostburg, MD 21532

STORIES: 1( ) 2(☒) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2(☒) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: framz addition

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- (☒) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)  
( ) BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.  
(☒) STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated  
( ) LOG  
( ) Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS \_\_\_\_\_

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1( ) 2/2(☒) 6/6(☒) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other(☒ 6/3)  
pegged ( ☒ ) nailed( ) wide ( ) narrow ( ) mitred ( ) pediment ( )

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

HARDWARE: original(☒) replaced( )  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN  
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)

original( ) replaced( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS #

MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original( ) replaced(☒)

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed(☒) hip( ) gable( )

CHIMNELYS: NUMBER 2 BRICK(☒) STONE(☒) CORBELLED(☒) original(☒) replaced( )

LOCATION: Flush end(☒) Inside end( ) Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior( )

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - private residence

Significance - arch.

Date Constructed - 1792

Condition - fair

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# SECTION VI QUADRANGLE B

STATE OF MARYLAND  
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

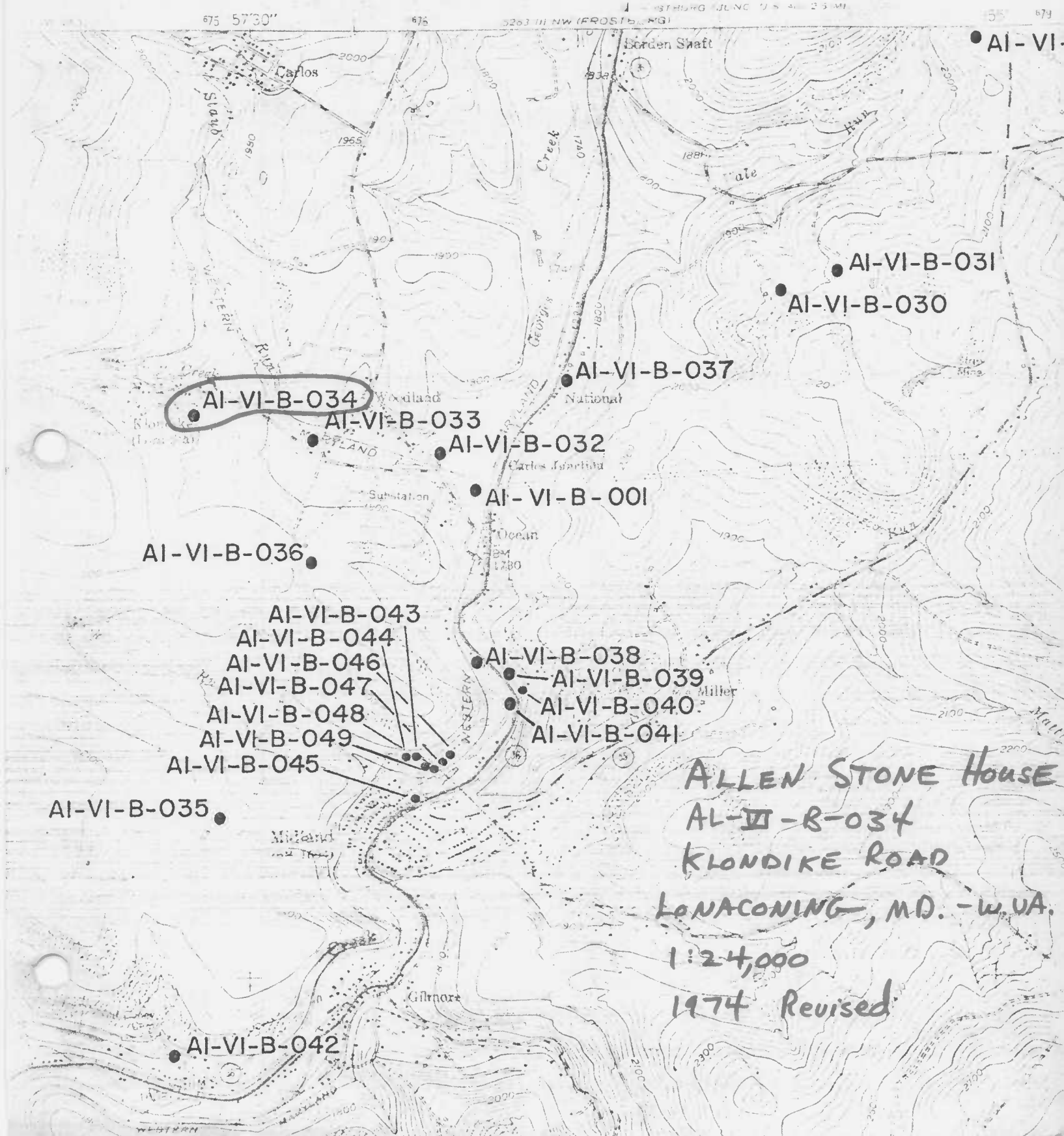
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Allen Stone House

Kondike Rd.

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South



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Allen Stone House

Klondike Rd.

Klondike

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Northeast



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FIGURE 6



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